



# Seattle City Attorney

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Phil Mocek  
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RE: PDR#13-097 Public Records Act request regarding Black Coffee Co-op

Dear Mr. Mocek:

The City Attorney's Office (CAO) received your public records request on July 16, 2013 via email.<sup>i</sup> An installment is attached and contains documents (emails and attachments) regarding complaints about Black Coffee and internal discussions regarding those complaints. We have exerted no exemptions.

As you will have noticed, I have not yet processed the metadata. Typically metadata is very easy for the City Attorney's Office to process into an Excel spreadsheet hyperlinked to the documents in question. Recently, however, our department underwent various computer and software upgrades. IT is working on restoring the settings that I require to complete the metadata portion of your request. I apologize for any inconvenience that this may cause you and will have that metadata to you as soon as the issue is fixed.

As mentioned before, we used the terms "black" or "coffee" to search the email database archives while determining if there are other documents in other locations, whether in hard copy or on our servers, that are responsive to your request.

I will double check to ensure that we have fully and adequately searched for any relevant documents. We estimate that the metadata, an additional installment (if necessary), or a status update will be ready for you by August 23, 2013. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate contact me.

Very truly yours,  
PETER S. HOLMES  
Seattle City Attorney

s/Matthew C. Jaeger

By: Matthew C. Jaeger  
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<sup>i</sup> Therein you requested:

- *Complaints received about Black Coffee Co-op, a worker's cooperative, café, community space, and infoshop located at 501 East Pine Street in the Capitol Hill neighborhood of Seattle, which opened for business in November, 2012. This should include but not be limited to those complaints described in an [interview by Justin Carder of CHS published May 21, 2013][1], in which Ronald J. "Ron" Wilson #4069 of Seattle Police Department is quoted as having said, "All I can share with you at this time is that over the past several weeks we have received several complaints about activity at Black Coffee. Some of the complaints deal with City and State code and/or regulation compliance issues, while some deal with public safety issues. We are sharing the complaints we receive with other city and state departments that may have responsibility/jurisdiction for non-police issues."*
- *Communications of complaints with "other city and state departments" including but not limited to the sharing described by Mr. Wilson*
- *All associated metadata*